

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 2299, Department of Transportation and Related Agencies Appropriations for FY 2002.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S12219–S12274*

**Measures Introduced:** Seven bills and two resolutions were introduced today, as follows: S. 1748–1754, S. Res. 185, and S. Con. Res. 87.

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#### Measures Reported:

H.R. 643, to reauthorize the African Elephant Conservation Act. (S. Rept. No. 107–104)

H.R. 645, to reauthorize the Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Act of 1994. (S. Rept. No. 107–105)

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#### Measures Passed:

**Stan Parris Post Office Building Designation:** Senate passed H.R. 1766, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4270 John Marr Drive in Annandale, Virginia, as the “Stan Parris Post Office Building”, clearing the measure for the President.

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**Earl T. Shinhoster Post Office Designations:** Senate passed H.R. 2261, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2853 Candler Road in Decatur, Georgia, as the “Earl T. Shinhoster Post Office”, clearing the measure for the President.

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**Congressman Julian C. Dixon Post Office Building Redesignation:** Senate passed H.R. 2454, to redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 5472 Crenshaw Boulevard in Los Angeles, California, as the “Congressman Julian C. Dixon Post Office Building”, clearing the measure for the President.

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**American Airlines Flight 587 Crash:** Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 272, expressing the sense of Congress regarding the crash of American Airlines Flight 587.

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Subsequently, adoption of the resolution was vitiated.

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**Presidential Medal of Freedom Award:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 23, expressing the sense of the Senate that the President should award the Presidential Medal of Freedom posthumously to Dr. Benjamin Elijah Mays in honor of his distinguished career as an educator, civil and human rights leader, and public theologian.

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**Patriot Day Designation:** Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of H.J. Res. 71, amending title 36, United States Code, to designate September 11 as Patriot Day, and the resolution was then passed, clearing the measure for the President.

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#### Measures Indefinitely Postponed:

**Earl T. Shinhoster Post Office Designations:** S. 1184, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2853 Candler Road in Decatur, Georgia, as the “Earl T. Shinhoster Post Office”.

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**Congressman Julian C. Dixon Post Office Building Redesignation:** S. 1381, to redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 5472 Crenshaw Boulevard in Los Angeles, California, as the “Congressman Julian C. Dixon Post Office Building”.

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**Federal Farm Bill:** Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to the consideration of S. 1731, to strengthen the safety net for agricultural producers, to enhance resource conservation and rural development, to provide for farm credit, agricultural research, nutrition, and related programs, and to ensure consumers abundant food and fiber

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill (listed above).

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**Nomination—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for consideration of the nomination of John P. Walters, of Michigan, to be Director of National Drug Control Policy, with a vote on confirmation of the nomination to occur thereon. **Page S12271**

**Department of Transportation Appropriations Conference Report—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for consideration of the conference report on H.R. 2299, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, upon consent of the Majority Leader, following consultation with the Republicans Leader, with a vote on adoption of the conference report to occur thereon. **Page S12272**

**Comprehensive Retirement Security and Pension Reform Act—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of H.R. 10, to provide for pension reform, at 4:45 p.m., on Monday, December 3, 2001, with a vote on a motion to close further debate on Lott/Murkowski/Brownback Amendment No. 2171 (to Amendment No. 2170), to occur at 5:15 p.m. **Page S12273**

**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Thomas L. Sansonetti, of Wyoming, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

James Edward Rogan, of California, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

Edward Hachiro Kubo, Jr., of Hawaii, to be United States Attorney for the District of Hawaii for the term of four years.

Sheldon J. Sperling, of Oklahoma, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Oklahoma for the term of four years.

David E. O'Meilie, of Oklahoma, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Oklahoma for the term of four years.

David R. Dugas, of Louisiana, to be United States Attorney for the Middle District of Louisiana for the term of four years.

R. David Paulison, of Florida, to be Administrator of the United States Fire Administration, Federal Emergency Management Agency.

Conrad Lautenbacher, Jr., of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere.

William Schubert, of Texas, to be Administrator of the Maritime Administration.

Arden Bement, Jr., of Indiana, to be Director of the National Institute of Standards and Technology.

James A. McDevitt, of Washington, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Washington, for the term of four years.

Johnny Keane Sutton, of Texas, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Texas, for the term of four years.

Richard S. Thompson, of Georgia, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of Georgia, for the term of four years.

A routine list in the Coast Guard. **Pages S12273–74**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Diane M. Ruebling, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation for a term expiring December 17, 2002.

C. William Swank, of Ohio, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation for a term expiring December 17, 2002.

Scott A. Abdallah, of South Dakota, to be United States Attorney for the District of South Dakota for the term of four years.

Thomas P. Colantuono, of New Hampshire, to be United States Attorney for the District of New Hampshire for the term of four years.

Harry E. Cummins III, of Arkansas, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Arkansas for the term of four years.

Michael Taylor Shelby, of Texas, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of Texas for the term of four years. **Page S12273**

**Messages From the House:**

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**Measures Placed on Calendar:**

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**Measures Read First Time:**

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**Enrolled Bills Presented:**

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**Executive Communications:**

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**Additional Cosponsors:**

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**Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:**

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**Additional Statements:**

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**Amendments Submitted:**

**Pages S12264–71**

**Adjournment:** Senate met at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 1:54 p.m., until 1 p.m., on Monday, December 3, 2001. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S12273.)

## *Committee Meetings*

No committee meetings were held.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Measures Introduced:** 4 public bills, H.R. 3387–3390 were introduced. **Page H8746**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 3030, to extend the “Basic Pilot” employment verification system, amended (H. Rept. 107–310, Pt. 1); and

H.R. 64, to provide for the establishment of the position of Deputy Administrator for Science and Technology of the Environmental Protection Agency, amended (H. Rept. 107–311). **Pages H8745–46**

**Transportation Appropriations Conference Report:** The House agreed to the conference report on H.R. 2299, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002 by a yeas and nays vote of 371 yeas to 11 nays, Roll No. 465.

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Earlier agreed to H. Res. 299, the rule that waived points of order against the conference report by voice vote. **Pages H8733–34**

**Legislative Program:** The Majority Leader announced the Legislative Program for the week of December 3. **Pages H8740–41**

**Meeting Hour—Tuesday, Dec. 4:** Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 4 for morning hour debate. **Page H8741**

**Calendar Wednesday:** Agreed to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, Dec. 5. **Page H8741**

**Senate Messages:** Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H8740.

**Referral:** S.J. Res. 26 was referred to the Committee on House Administration. **Page H8744**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** One yeas and nays vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appears on page H8740. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

## Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

## Joint Meetings

### TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

*Conferees* on Thursday, November 29, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 2299, making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002.

### EDUCATION REFORM

*Conferees* met to resolve the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 1, to close the achievement gap with accountability, flexibility, and choice, so that no child is left behind, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

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### CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of December 3 through December 8, 2001

#### Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 10, Comprehensive Retirement Security and Pension Reform Act, with a vote to occur on a motion to close further debate on Lott/Murkowski/Brownback Amendment No. 2171 (to Amendment No. 2170), to occur at 5:15 p.m.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any other cleared legislative and executive business, including appropriation bills and conference reports when available.

#### Senate Committees

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

*Committee on Appropriations:* December 4, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, to hold hearings to examine issues concerning cloning, 9 a.m., SD–192.

December 4, Subcommittee on Defense, business meeting to mark up H.R. 3338, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, 10 a.m., SD–124.

December 4, Full Committee, business meeting to mark up H.R. 3338, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, 3 p.m., SD–106.

*Committee on Armed Services:* December 4, to hold hearings on the nomination of Claude M. Bolton, Jr., of Florida, to be Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition; to be followed by a business meeting to consider pending nominations, 9:30 a.m., SR–222.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* December 4, to hold hearings to examine housing and community development needs in America, 10 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* December 5, Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space, to hold hearings to examine the technology sector in times of crises, 9 a.m., SR-253.

December 6, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the corporate average fuel economy, 10 a.m., SR-253.

December 6, Full Committee, to hold hearings on the nomination of Jeffrey Shane, of the District of Columbia, to be Associate Deputy Secretary, and the nomination of Emil H. Frankel, of Connecticut, to be Assistant Secretary of Transportation Policy, both of the Department of Transportation, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

December 7, Full Committee, to hold hearings on the nomination of Sean O'Keefe, of New York, to be Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* December 5, to hold hearings on the nomination of Margaret S.Y. Chu, of New Mexico, to be Director of the Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management, and the nomination of Beverly Cook, of Idaho, to be Assistant Secretary for Environment, Safety and Health, both of the Department of Energy; and the nomination of Jeffrey D. Jarrett, of Pennsylvania, to be Director of the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, and the nomination of Rebecca W. Watson, of Montana, to be Assistant Secretary for Land and Minerals Management, both of the Department of the Interior, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

December 6, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine negotiations for renewing the Compact of Free Association, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* December 4, to hold hearings to examine the remediation process of biologically contaminated buildings, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Finance:* December 4, business meeting to mark up S. 1209, to amend the Trade Act of 1974 to consolidate and improve the trade adjustment assistance programs, to provide community-based economic development assistance for trade-affected communities, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* December 4, to hold hearings on pending nominations, 2:15 p.m., SD-419.

December 4, Full Committee, to hold hearings on the nomination of William R. Brownfield, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Chile; and the nomination of Charles S. Shapiro, of Georgia, to be Ambassador to the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, 4:30 p.m., SD-419.

December 6, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the political future of Afghanistan, 10:30 a.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Governmental Affairs:* December 5, to hold hearings to examine the local role in homeland security, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

December 6, Full Committee, to hold hearings to assess the vulnerability of United States seaports and

whether the Federal Government is adequately structured to safeguard them, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* December 4, to resume oversight hearings to examine the Department of the Judiciary, focusing on how to preserve freedoms while defending against terrorism, 10 a.m., SD-226.

December 4, Full Committee, to resume oversight hearings to examine the Department of the Judiciary, focusing on how to preserve freedoms while defending against terrorism, 2 p.m., SD-226.

December 5, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Callie V. Granade, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Alabama, Marcia S. Krieger, to be United States District Judge for the District of Colorado, James C. Mahan, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nevada, Philip R. Martinez, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Texas, C. Ashley Royal, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Georgia, and Mauricio J. Tamargo, of Florida, to be Chairman of the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States, Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SD-226.

December 5, Subcommittee on Youth Violence, to hold hearings to examine the future of the community oriented policing services program of the Department of Justice, 1:30 p.m., SD-226.

December 6, Full Committee, to resume oversight hearings to examine the Department of the Judiciary, focusing on how to preserve freedoms while defending against terrorism, 10 a.m., SD-106.

*United States Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control:* December 4, to hold hearings to examine rave party promoters and club drugs, 2:30 p.m., SR-385.

## House Chamber

To be announced.

## House Committees

*Committee on the Budget,* December 5, hearing on Restructuring Government for Homeland Security: Nuclear/Biological/Chemical Threats, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* December 4, Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet, hearing on "The Status of Competition in the Multi-Channel Video Programming Distribution Marketplace, 2 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

December 5, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing titled "A Review of Security Issues at Nuclear Power Plants," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Government Reform,* December 5, hearing on "The FBI's Handling of Confidential Informants in Boston: Will the Justice Department Comply with Congressional Subpoenas?" 12 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

December 5, Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy, and Human Resources, hearing on "Federal Law Enforcement: Long Term Implications of Homeland Security Needs," 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

December 5, Subcommittee on Government Efficiency, Financial Management, and Intergovernmental Affairs, hearing on "The Debt Collection Improvement Act of

1996: How Well is it Working?" 10 a.m., 2244 Rayburn.

December 7, Subcommittee on the District of Columbia, hearing on the District of Columbia School Reform Act of 1995—Blue Print for Education Reform in the District of Columbia, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on International Relations*, December 5, hearing on Bioterrorism: Potential Sources of Anthrax, 10:15 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, December 4, oversight hearing on Direct Broadcast Satellite Service and Competition in the Multichannel Video Distribution Market, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

December 5, hearing on H.R. 3295, Help America Vote Act of 2001, 1 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

December 6, hearing on H.R. 3288, Fairness in Antitrust in National Sports (FANS) Act of 2001, 1 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

December 6, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law and the Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property, joint hearing on the Settlement Agreement by and among the United States of America, the FCC, NextWave Telecom, Inc., and certain affiliates, and Participating Auction 35 Winning Bidders, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Resources*, December 4, Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, oversight hearing on Conflicting Laws and Regulations—Gridlock on the National Forests, 3 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

*Committee on Rules*, December 4, to consider the following: Conference Report to accompany H.R. 2506, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002; and the Conference Report to accompany H.R. 2944, making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities

chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, 5:30 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Science*, December 5, hearing on Science of Bioterrorism: Is the Federal Government Prepared?" 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business*, December 6, hearing on the SBA's efforts to provide assistance to those directly and indirectly impacted by the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, upon the World Trade Center in New York City and the Pentagon in Arlington, Virginia, 2 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

December 6, Subcommittee on Tax, Finance, and Exports, hearing on a number of economic stimulus proposals, and their possible impacts on the nation's economy, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, December 6, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, hearing on Port Security, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, December 4, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on Status of the Medicare+Choice Program, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

### Joint Meetings

*Conference*: December 5, closed meeting of conferees on H.R. 2883, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2002 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, 2 p.m., S-407, Capitol.

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe*: December 6, to hold hearings to examine the state of human rights, democracy and security concerns in Kyrgyzstan, focusing on human rights and democracy in the Central Asian region, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon Building.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

1 p.m., Monday, December 3

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

12:30 p.m., Tuesday, December 4

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Monday:** After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 4:45 p.m.), Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 10, Comprehensive Retirement Security and Pension Reform Act, with a vote on a motion to close further debate on Lott/Murkowski/Brownback Amendment No. 2171 (to Amendment No. 2170), to occur at 5:15 p.m.

## House Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** To be announced.

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